

OUTREACH NOTICE

West Zone Fire Management Officer Kemmerer and Greys River Ranger Districts - Bridger-Teton NF Kemmerer and Afton, WY GS - 0301- 11

Position:

The Bridger-Teton National Forest is outreaching for a Zone Fire Management Officer, **GS-0301-11** position, with a duty station located on the Kemmerer Ranger District, Kemmerer, WY or on the Greys River District, Afton, WY. The vacancy announcement for this position will be posted on the U.S. Government's official website for employment opportunities at http://www.usajobs.opm.gov.

Any questions or concerns should be directed to Adriene Holcomb, Kemmerer and Greys River Ranger, at (307) 828-5110 or aholcomb@fs.fed.us.

NOTE: When applying for the GS-0301 series, the applicant's experiences should reflect the type of work and percentages of time the employee performed duties that meet the minimum of 12 months specialized experience requirements.

An explanation of what additional information the applicant needs to address this specialized experience in the application is covered under the FAQs for the new GS-0301 series at the following link. http://fsweb.wo.fs.fed.us/fire/fam/301/index.htm

This is a standard wildland fire management position falls which under the FS-FPM requirements for a high complexity Zone Fire Management Officer. The West Zone of the Bridger-Teton National Forest consists of the Kemmerer and Greys River Ranger Districts. The primary purpose of this position is to provide operational oversight for and planning of wildland fire suppression activities, as well as specialized expertise for the assigned zone and the Teton Interagency Fire Program. The incumbent is responsible for preparedness, prevention, prescribed burning, monitoring, hazardous fuel reduction, and fire facilities on the West Zone of the Bridger-Teton Forest. The incumbent will also assist with writing and executing wildland fire management plans, prescribed burn plans, and preparedness plans.

Duties and Responsibilities include and are not limited to:

- Fire and fuels management oversight for the Kemmerer and Greys River Ranger Districts.
- Direct supervision of one AFMO Operations and one AFMO Fuels.

- Oversight for one T4 wildland engine and one T6 wildland engine, each staffed with five personnel, and one prevention technician.
- Acts as zone Duty Officer.
- Coordinating with other resource areas and interagency partners and cooperators.

There is no government housing available in Kemmerer or Afton. The Kemmerer Ranger District is the most distant district from the Supervisor's Office located in Jackson, Wyoming (160 miles from the office). The Greys River Ranger District is located on the western portion of the forest and is located 75 miles from the SO. Both districts range in elevation between 8,000 and 10,500 feet and have a balanced workload consisting of range, recreation, timber, special uses and other resources.

Community Information:

<u>Kemmerer</u>

The town of Kemmerer is a small community located high in the rolling hills of Western Wyoming in the Green River Basin along the Hams Fork River. The elevation is 6,927 feet with a population of approximately 3,126. Kemmerer enjoys average temperatures between 14 F. (January) and 70 F. (July). Average annual snowfall is 72.3 inches, rainfall is 7.2 inches, and relative humidity is 24%. The average growing season is 60 days.

The Kemmerer area offers an abundance of fishing, hunting, hiking, wildlife watching, and snowmobiling. Golfers also enjoy a challenging nine-hole golf course set near the Hams Fork River. Several benefit tournaments are conducted throughout the summer. Kemmerer offers four private quarries where you can dig your own fossils, and is the home of Fossil Butte National Monument, an 8,198 acre natural area that was established in 1972 and many historic cut-off trails of the Oregon, Mormon and California Trails.

Kemmerer's school system consists of 1 high school (205 students), 1 middle school (218 students), and 1 elementary school (201 students). Western Wyoming Community College offers an outreach program in Kemmerer with a focus on professional enhancement, growth opportunities, vocational/technical education and transfer education. Degree programs through the University of Wyoming and Utah State University can be obtained through the local outreach program.

The South Lincoln Hospital District meets both community and regional needs with a 16 bed acute care Hospital. The emergency department provides 24 hour emergency service. Both out-patient and surgical in-patient care are offered. The hospital also has an on-site staffed medical clinic. A nursing home is adjacent to the hospital that provides care for the elderly, handicapped and rehab patients with 24 beds.

The Kemmerer Community Recreation Center offers year round fitness and a variety of recreational opportunities. The center houses racquetball courts, an indoor climbing wall, a basketball court, indoor track, weight room, whirlpool, sauna and steam room and several pieces of exercise equipment. The indoor pool located at the high school has specific hours

set aside for lap swimming & open swimming. During the summer months an outdoor pool is located in Archie Neil Park with swimming lessons offered for all ages.

There are two banks, 12 churches, a senior citizen center, 2 day care facilities, numerous local organizations, town government, police and fire protection, utilities, three post offices, 2 weekly newspapers, and an AM radio station.

Proximity to surrounding communities:

Jackson, Wyoming (SO and Jackson District D4)	160 Miles
Big Piney, Wyoming (Big Piney District D2)	69 Miles
Afton, Wyoming (Greys River District D3)	99 Miles
Pinedale, Wyoming (Pinedale District D7)	111 Miles
Salt Lake City, Utah	132 Miles
Ogden, Utah (Regional Office)	127 Miles
Denver, Colorado	442 Miles
Evanston, Wyoming	50 Miles
Rock Springs, Wyoming (nearest airlines)	86 Miles

See more information at www.kemmerer.org

Afton

Afton is at the south end of Star Valley and is the largest of the communities in Star Valley. Star Valley has a population of about 10,000 while Afton has a population of about 2,000. The valley is 60 miles long by 5 miles wide. The elevation is 6,134 feet and winters are long. Residents enjoy blue ribbon trout fishing, hunting, camping, hiking, golfing, snowmobiling, wildlife viewing, horseback riding, and boating.

The average maximum temperatures in the summer are approximately 80°F, while the average minimum temperatures in winter are 4°F. The area can remain below 0 degrees at times during the winter months. Average total snowfall is approximately 80 inches.

The school system in the valley is comprised of three grade schools, one junior high, and one brand new high school with a 25 student per teacher ratio. There are adult higher education opportunities with the University of Wyoming community education program and a library.

Housing is reasonable with prices ranging from 150,000 to 350,000 for the purchase of a single family home. There are also rentals available. All of the normal amenities are available in Afton such as grocery stores, banks, variety stores, a local newspaper, theater, radio station, etc. Afton has a hospital, a care center, home health service, physicians, and pharmacies. For more information about Afton and Star Valley visit the web site starvalleychamber.com on the internet.

The nearest commercial airport access is in Jackson Hole, WY, 75 miles from Afton or in Salt Lake City, UT, 200 miles from Afton.

See more information at www.aftonwyoming.net/

Outreach Response: Interested applicants, or those desiring further information, should contact Adriene Holcomb, Greys River/Kemmerer District Ranger at (307) 828-5110 or email at aholcomb@fs.fed.us. Your response should include your name, mailing address, email, phone, current title/series/grade, and if you are currently a federal employee include what type of appointment you have.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN OUR VACANCY

Please send the outreached attached below to aholcomb@fs.fed.us.

OUTREACH NOTICE RESPONSE FORM Please Respond by February 12, 2016

GS-0301-11

Zone Fire Management Officer Bridger-Teton National Forest, Kemmerer Ranger District, Greys River Ranger District

Your Name:	Email:	
Mailing Address:		
Telephone Number		
AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH:	USFSBLM	OTHER
Duty Station Preference	Kemmerer	Afton
CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DIST	ГRICT:	
CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE:		
CURRENT POSITION TITLE:		

Describe your interest and what skills you have for this position: